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In re Patent Application of)
Kiyoyuki NAKAGAWA et al.) Group Art Unit: 3723 (expected)
Application No.: Unassigned (Divisional of 09/401,526)) Examiner: L. Wilson (expected)
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For: ELECTRONIC COMPONENT CHIP FEEDER AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES USING ELECTRONIC COMPONENT CHIPS	

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: November 20, 2001

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

The Examiner's attention is directed to copending application number 09/401,526 naming Kiyoyuki Nakagawa et al. as inventor(s) and filed on September 22, 1999, and the documents cited therein, a copy of which is enclosed.

In accordance with MPEP § 609(c)(2) (February 2000, page 600-107), the Office is requested to return a copy of this Information Disclosure Statement with the Examiner's initials adjacent to this paragraph indicating that this copending application has been considered. By citation to the copending application, confidentiality is not waived and the Office is requested to maintain the confidentiality of the copending application under 35 U.S.C. § 122.

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To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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